

## **Minutes from Sept 2, 2012 FLA Board meeting 9:30 am DRAFT**

Attendees: Jim McMahon, Tom Gillette, Don Shepley, Karen Beamer, Robin Yule, David White, Mary Smirniw, Pat Currie, Katie McMahon, Ellen Fox, Jim Watoson

Absent: Christa Sharp, Sharon Lillico

1) Previous minutes approved.

2) The positions of Chairman and all officers are to remain the same.

- Tom Gillette stated that his work schedule makes it difficult to commit enough time to Lake Plan implementation. Ellen Fox volunteered to join the implementation committee to help out.
- Robin asked that all board members consider recruiting new directors or officers as some of the current persons (including Robin) would like to step down

3) Treasurer's Report – We have \$3900 in the current account and need to pay FOCA about \$1200 for insurance and membership.

4) Ribfest Review

- Ribfest ticket sales covered cost of ribs. Auctions etc. raised about \$1200. Final figures not yet available.
- Robin suggested that there should be a committee of 5 or 6 persons to run Ribfest as it is too much for just one person
- Kids games went well – should continue if we have volunteer.
- Robin stated that several persons had stated that the cost of Ribfest tickets was too high and that all of us selling tickets had experienced sales resistance due to the price. He suggested that we do a barbecue instead with us doing the cooking and supplying steaks, burgers hotdogs, salads and deserts at varying prices depending on the meat chosen and getting ticket prices down to \$10 or less.
- Jim M suggested looking into a pig roast – possibly get a quote from Big Daddy in Huntsville.
- Mary said some persons come specially for the ribs – she also noted ribs in Gravenhurst go for \$15.
- Karen said she would check prices from some other sources.
- We need to let Tibor know a reasonable time ahead if we are going to cancel for next year.
- Decision to be made later.

- 5) Regatta – Mary commented that there was a good turnout for a very hot day.
- 2013 regatta to be held at Bob and Don Shepley beaches.
  - Organizer not yet appointed. – **Robin to ask Natalie Edgar**
  - Suggested that volleyball be held after other regatta events – no decision made
  - Suggested that tug of war be limited to a set number per side to make the contest more even.
  - Following feedback from members and re-consideration by the board, decided that the FLA will not organize fireworks at this time.

- 6) Corn Roast – went very well this year – about 70 persons in attendance – 2 cobs left of 10 dozen.
- Jim was volunteered by Katie to continue running the event.

7) Sign Boards – Don will take down the East and West boards for the winter. Robin will take down and store the North board.

- 8) Email and Website– the FLA has and email address [foxlakeassociation@gmail.com](mailto:foxlakeassociation@gmail.com)
- It should be used for newsletter distribution and as much FLA emailing as possible.
  - Mary will get the contact list moved to the site
  - Mary will monitor the site for incoming emails
  - Password for the site to be sent to board members so that they could use it as needed to send emails
  - Katie suggested that all phone numbers (except Robin's) and all personal email addresses should be taken off the website – this was agreed.

9) Cottage Rental – approved advertising cottages for rent in the Buy and Sell section of the newsletter. Buy and Sell to be available only to members.

10) Action list updated...removed completed items.updated and added items.(per attached)

11) Benthic Monitoring – Results showed that richness of species a little better than Muskoka average, water quality slightly less than average but may be due to the tea stain. David to arrange another session next year.

12) Water level – new automatic gauge is installed in front of Maxwell's on the point. Readings can be seen on the internet at

<https://www.hobolink.com/p/db74df628084fef3b8754baa2d412b10>

13) Email to be sent in September topics

- New email address
- renting cottages, other items for buy and sell to be sent to Katie

14) Fall newsletter topics to include:

- email address
- ribfest format change suggestions and request for comments
- note that OPP were on the lake twice in late August

15) Next Meeting tentatively set for Sunday of long weekend in May 1013 at Tom Gillette's 9:30 a.m.

Meeting ended 11:45

FLA Board Action Tracking				
Item	Description	Status	Resp	Target Date
100724-11	Lake Plan Action Committee	In progress	Tom Gillette / Committee	ongoing
110731-04	Island Reforestation	In progress.	Christa	Ongoing
111009-02	Letter to Huntsville expressing concern about road allowance on West FL Rd and asking to be kept informed of any action regarding providing public access to Fox Lake.	Appears to be a dead issue. Robin to check	Robin	December 2012
111109-03	Loon Nesting Platform – research, build, install	Jim M has plans and a cedar post to be used.	Jim M.	2013?
120902-01	Decision of format for next year's fundraiser –Ribfest to Barbecue	pending	Karen / <b>ALL</b>	Jan 30 2013
120902-02	Recruit committee members for fundraiser	Should be in progress	<b>ALL</b>	May 24 2013
120902-03	Get organizer for 2013 regatta	Email to Karen Pushka sent, reply indefinite.	Robin	Jan 30 2013
120902-04	Letter to Tony Clement cc HLoBLC and MWC re the Experimental Lakes Area	<b>Complete</b>	Robin	30 Sept 2012